of laws dealing with women.

Survey for Gulbarga to Bhiguvan

718. SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the survey for doubling the line from Gulbarga to Bhiguvan was taken and what is the progress so far made in it;

(b) whether the survey and cost estimation in regard to Solapur-Pakni portion thereof has been completed;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether in view of the pressing need for decongesting and diverting railway traffic from Solapur, due priority would be accorded to doubling this part first; if so, by when it would be accorded to doubling this first; if so, by when it would be taken up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) to (d) A survey for doubling of line from Gulbarga to Bhiguvan, which includes the section from Pakni to Solapur, is in progress in phases. Survey from Bhiguvan to Jeur (48 km.) has been completed and the survey report is under preparation. The cost of the complete project will be available and consideration of taking up the various phases of the project would be possible, once the survey report becomes available.

Fee hike for higher education

†719. DR. D. MASTHAN:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have given approval to the fee hike in the field of higher education;

(b) if so, what are the facts in this regard and the percentage of proposed fee hike; and

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.